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EXPORT TRADE BY COMMODITY

The Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce, announced today that the decrease in United States exports of domestic merchandise from \$1,777.7 million in December to \$1,618.7 million in January, a drop of about nine percent, reflected decreases in exports of all of the economic classes of commodities. The January 1961 domestic merchandise export total was about five percent higher than the January 1960 total of \$1,543.2 million. These figures include data on M.S.P. (military) shipments.

With M.S.P. (military) shipments excluded, exports of domestic merchandise were valued at \$1,510.8 million¹ in January, a level about 12 percent lower than the December 1960 total of \$1,724.4 million but about three percent higher than the January 1960 total of \$1,465.5 million.

Exports of crude materials fell from \$287.0 million in December to \$236.3 million in January largely as a result of substantial decreases in exports of oilseeds, from \$48.1 to \$21.6 million and unmanufactured tobacco, from \$33.8 to \$16.7 million; and lesser decreases in exports of unmanufactured cotton, from \$134.7 to \$130.4 million and coal, from \$23.1 to \$19.1 million. Exports of finished manufactures dropped considerably from \$947.6

to \$902.6 million reflecting in part decreases in exports of most of the leading commodities included in this economic class. The more notable of these decreases were as follows: aircraft, parts and accessories, from \$89.3 to \$79.3 million; metalworking machines and parts, except machine tools and parts, from \$17.5 to \$9.8 million; commercial motor trucks and busses, from \$25.3 to \$19.2 million; railway transportation equipment, from \$15.8 to \$10.4 million; machine tools and parts, from \$28.9 to \$24.7 million; and metal manufactures, from \$32.9 to \$28.8 million. However, exports of ammunition, components and parts, also included in this economic class, increased from \$8.0 to \$50.8 million.

The drop in exports of semimanufactures from \$292.7 to \$258.2 million was primarily due to lower levels of exports of individual commodities included in this economic class as follows: industrial chemicals, from \$24.1 to \$19.0 million; iron and steel plates, sheets and strips, from \$17.1 to \$12.1 million; aluminum semimanufactures, from \$16.8 to \$11.9 million; crude vegetable oils and fats, from \$13.1 to \$9.0 million and coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products, from \$14.7 to \$11.5 million. Decreases in exports of wheat flour, from \$14.2 to \$7.9 million and milled rice, from \$16.4 to \$13.0 million were mainly responsible for the drop in exports of manufactured foodstuffs from \$106.2 to \$89.0 million. The decrease in exports of crude foodstuffs from \$144.1 to \$132.6 million was largely due to a drop in exports of corn from \$35.0 to \$24.4 million and "other grains" from \$18.4 to \$12.0 million. These decreases were partly offset by an increase in exports of wheat from \$85.7 to \$78.5 million.

¹See the January 1961 issue of Report No. FT 900-E for seasonally-adjusted figures on total exports, excluding M.S.P. (military) shipments. Seasonally-adjusted data are not available on a commodity basis.

EXPLANATION OF STATISTICS

COVERAGE: Export statistics include government as well as non-government shipments to foreign countries. The export statistics, therefore, include Mutual Security Program military aid, Mutual Security Program economic aid and Department of the Army Civilian Supply shipments. Separate figures for Mutual Security Program military aid are shown in the footnotes of this report. Shipments to United States armed forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are excluded from export statistics. United States trade with Puerto Rico and United States possessions is not included in this report, but the export trade of Puerto Rico with foreign countries is included as a part of the United States export trade. Merchandise shipped in transit through the United States between foreign countries is not included in export statistics.

VALUATION: The valuation definition used in the export statistics is the value at the seaport, border point, or airport of exportation. It is based on the selling price (or cost if not sold) and includes inland freight, insurance, and other charges to the port of exportation. Transportation and other costs beyond the United States port of exportation are excluded. However, in some instances the valuation may not be reported in accordance with this definition, particularly where the export value is difficult to determine or must be estimated. None of the values have been adjusted for changes in price level.

EFFECT OF SAMPLING: The value of export shipments individually valued at \$100 or more (about five percent of total export value) is estimated by sampling. Effective with the statistics for January 1960, the previous sample ratio of 10 percent has been increased to a 50 percent sample for countries other than Canada with the 10 percent sample being retained for Canada. The estimated values are distributed among the individual commodity totals. For the 1960 export figures in this report, the probable variability due to sampling is less than \$50,000 or less than a trivial percentage which can be ignored. For periods prior to 1960, the probable variability due to sampling is less than \$50,000 or less than two percent of the individual totals shown. The largest variation from rounding of figures is \$50,000. For further information regarding sampling procedures, see the September 1953, February 1954, January and June 1956, and the October-December 1959 issues of Foreign Trade Statistics Notes.

Further information regarding coverage, valuation, etc., is contained in the "General Explanation" in foreword of Report No. FT 410. For complete statement, see foreword in Foreign Commerce and Navigation of the United States.

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UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:
JANUARY 1961 AND SELECTED PERIODS

(Quantities in units indicated; values in millions of dollars. Figures for 1961 are as originally issued and have not been revised to include published corrections. Figures for 1960 include revisions published with the December 1960 reports, or earlier, but do not include revisions published during 1961. Totals represent sum of unrounded figures, hence may vary slightly from sum of rounded amounts. See "Explanation of Statistics" for information on sampling procedures and effect thereof on data shown.)

Economic class and commodity	January 1961	December 1960	January 1960	Monthly average	
				1960	1959
Total.....value..	¹ 1,618.7	² 1,777.7	³ 1,543.2	⁴ 1,691.6	⁵ 1,453.2
Crude materials.....value..	236.3	287.0	242.6	215.5	159.4
Hides and skins, raw, except furs.....value..	7.8	7.1	5.1	6.4	5.2
Animal and fish oils and greases, inedible.....1,000 lb..	135,619	153,059	150,579	140,701	120,900
value..	8.8	10.0	10.4	9.3	9.3
Oilseeds.....value..	21.6	48.1	24.0	30.1	26.5
Tobacco, unmanufactured.....1,000 lb..	22,422	44,574	23,072	41,264	38,801
value..	16.7	33.8	16.9	31.5	28.9
Cotton, unmanufactured.....1,000 bales..	1,012	1,007	1,144	651	332
value..	130.4	134.7	137.5	82.3	37.7
Coal.....1,000 s. tons..	2,001	2,432	2,150	3,160	3,253
value..	19.1	23.1	21.1	29.5	31.5
Crude petroleum.....1,000 bbl..	135	512	264	257	210
value..	0.5	1.4	0.7	0.7	0.6
All other crude materials.....value..	31.3	28.9	26.9	25.8	19.7
Crude foodstuffs.....value..	132.6	144.1	122.2	136.6	120.7
Corn.....1,000 bu..	19,463	28,532	13,614	18,353	18,343
value..	24.4	35.0	17.8	23.4	23.9
Wheat.....1,000 bu..	44,800	41,004	33,502	41,975	29,781
value..	78.5	69.7	57.0	71.0	51.2
Other grains.....value..	12.0	18.4	23.8	20.2	23.1
Vegetables, fresh or dried.....1,000 lb..	96,244	95,744	142,361	131,802	141,027
value..	4.9	5.6	8.2	7.1	7.9
Fruits, fresh or frozen.....1,000 lb..	91,491	96,734	122,017	119,890	125,300
value..	7.8	8.7	9.0	8.9	9.0
Crude foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	0.1	0.1	0.6	0.3	0.3
All other crude foodstuffs.....value..	4.9	6.7	5.9	5.8	5.2
Manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	89.0	106.2	82.7	93.0	89.8
Meat and meat products.....1,000 lb..	34,419	39,680	30,696	35,733	29,246
value..	10.2	11.7	8.5	10.4	8.8
Lard.....1,000 lb..	40,461	49,381	68,800	51,667	50,347
value..	4.7	5.3	6.2	5.1	5.0
Dairy products.....1,000 lb..	38,519	43,031	20,255	34,133	40,725
value..	7.3	7.7	5.6	7.2	7.9
Fish, canned, prepared, etc.....1,000 lb..	2,519	4,800	6,573	4,056	5,670
value..	1.1	2.0	1.8	1.6	1.9
Milled rice.....1,000,000 lb..	244	246	169	160	125
value..	13.0	16.4	10.2	10.5	8.3
Wheat flour.....1,000 cwt..	2,127	3,818	2,805	2,613	2,273
value..	7.9	14.2	9.9	9.6	8.6
Vegetables, canned and prepared.....value..	2.7	3.4	4.4	3.7	3.4
Fruits, dried and evaporated.....1,000 lb..	13,665	21,759	19,068	17,734	11,654
value..	2.5	4.2	4.0	3.5	2.7
Canned fruits.....1,000 lb..	20,767	40,323	18,035	32,307	29,003
value..	3.1	5.6	2.7	4.7	4.4
Fruit juices.....1,000 gal..	2,639	1,853	2,971	2,776	2,676
value..	4.0	2.4	3.5	3.4	3.6
Vegetable oils, fats and waxes, refined.....1,000 lb..	47,493	34,663	33,294	48,740	58,289
value..	6.6	4.1	4.3	6.1	8.6
Sugar and related products.....value..	1.5	1.6	1.6	1.8	1.9
Manufactured foodstuffs exported for relief or charity by individuals and private agencies.....value..	10.8	11.7	4.4	10.5	8.9
All other manufactured foodstuffs.....value..	13.7	15.7	15.6	15.0	15.7
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 ⁶value..	258.2	292.7	240.2	293.5	205.5
Leather.....value..	3.4	3.2	2.3	2.7	2.2
Synthetic rubber.....1,000 lb..	58,897	52,634	65,594	64,377	54,796
value..	15.7	13.6	17.0	16.7	14.2

See footnotes at end of table.

UNITED STATES EXPORTS OF DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE, BY ECONOMIC CLASSES AND LEADING COMMODITIES:
JANUARY 1961 AND SELECTED PERIODS—Continued

Economic class and commodity	January 1961	December 1960	January 1960	Monthly average	
				1960	1959
Semimanufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 ⁶ —Continued					
Naval Stores, gums and resins.....value..	4.6	6.6	7.3	5.7	3.7
Vegetable oils and fats, crude.....1,000 lb..	79,811	119,100	73,361	90,662	71,750
.....value..	9.0	13.1	7.4	9.2	7.9
Cotton semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	26,885	29,939	32,724	30,949	29,090
.....value..	3.9	4.2	4.7	4.5	4.2
Wool semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	10,693	11,648	10,901	12,278	12,244
.....value..	1.6	1.8	1.6	1.9	1.9
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile semimanufactures.....1,000 lb..	16,022	16,133	13,501	16,043	12,014
.....value..	12.8	11.9	10.6	12.4	9.2
Sawmill products.....1,000 bd.ft..	49,888	69,354	64,823	71,673	65,726
.....value..	6.3	7.6	7.9	8.7	7.5
Wood pulp.....1,000 s.tons..	88	95	69	95	54
.....value..	11.4	12.9	9.8	12.8	7.9
Fuel oil, distillate and residual.....1,000 bbl..	1,875	2,146	2,509	2,380	2,835
.....value..	5.2	6.0	6.7	6.6	7.7
Sulfur.....1,000 l.tons..	95	105	117	148	134
.....value..	2.0	2.2	2.9	3.4	3.3
Steel mill products, semifinished.....value..	0.7	1.8	1.0	1.2	0.4
Iron and steel bars, including bar size shapes.....1,000 lb..	10,966	10,754	15,646	14,140	11,182
.....value..	1.6	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.2
Iron and steel plates, sheets and strips.....1,000 lb..	97,106	126,406	89,417	237,428	83,493
.....value..	12.1	17.1	12.3	24.3	9.9
Tin mill products, including tin mill black plate.....1,000 lb..	71,015	89,606	74,982	114,329	76,642
.....value..	5.7	7.3	6.2	9.7	6.1
Other iron and steel semimanufactures.....value..	22.9	23.0	15.6	22.6	15.9
Aluminum semimanufactures.....value..	11.9	16.8	13.7	14.5	6.4
Copper semimanufactures.....value..	30.9	30.3	8.8	25.7	8.4
Coal-tar and other cyclic chemical products.....value..	11.5	14.7	11.7	13.9	8.7
Plastics and resin materials.....1,000 lb..	59,657	68,339	63,593	65,624	57,669
.....value..	21.0	23.4	23.0	23.5	21.5
Industrial chemicals, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 ⁶ ...value..	19.0	24.1	27.0	25.9	21.5
Pigments.....1,000 lb..	49,287	56,897	69,622	57,660	55,824
.....value..	5.2	5.5	6.7	5.8	5.6
Nitrogenous chemical fertilizer materials.....1,000 lb..	37,891	85,571	62,532	86,723	112,061
.....value..	1.2	3.0	2.0	2.5	3.0
All other semimanufactures, excl. Special Category Type 1 ⁶ ...value..	38.8	740.9	732.6	737.9	727.3
Finished manufactures.....value..	902.6	947.6	855.5	952.9	877.8
Truck, bus, and automobile tires (casings), new.....thousands..	79	88	145	117	92
.....value..	2.7	3.4	4.4	3.7	3.8
Other rubber manufactures.....value..	7.5	8.1	8.2	9.0	8.1
Cigarettes.....millions..	1,733	1,967	1,442	1,685	1,631
.....value..	7.6	8.6	6.1	7.2	7.0
Other tobacco manufactures.....value..	0.5	0.8	0.9	0.8	0.8
Cotton cloth.....1,000 sq.yd..	⁸ 42,236	⁸ 40,705	⁸ 47,468	⁸ 36,396	⁸ 39,351
.....value..	⁸ 13.4	⁸ 12.1	⁸ 12.8	⁸ 10.8	⁸ 10.7
Other cotton manufactures.....value..	6.9	8.5	7.0	8.4	7.9
Wool manufactures.....value..	0.6	0.6	0.5	0.6	0.7
Rayon, nylon and other man-made textile manufactures.....value..	11.6	13.4	12.1	13.6	12.9
Other textile manufactures.....value..	5.4	5.6	5.4	5.5	5.4
Wood manufactures, advanced.....value..	2.3	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.6
Paper and manufactures.....value..	20.1	22.9	19.9	21.3	19.5
Motor fuel and gasoline, including jet fuels (all types).....value..	5.6	3.3	4.7	6.0	8.1
Lubricating oil.....value..	14.6	17.7	16.0	17.3	15.2
Glass and products.....value..	6.8	7.0	6.7	7.0	7.0
Steel mill manufactures.....value..	8.7	9.4	12.3	11.8	11.3
Metal manufactures, n.e.c.....value..	28.8	32.9	32.2	35.2	37.1
Electric household refrigerators and freezers.....number..	16,494	22,873	23,611	25,030	28,871
.....value..	2.5	3.4	3.8	4.0	4.5
Radio and television apparatus.....value..	26.4	26.0	17.9	23.6	21.0
Other electrical machinery and apparatus.....value..	53.3	53.2	52.3	55.7	56.6
Power generating machinery, n.e.c.....value..	17.0	19.7	17.6	19.0	20.7
Construction, excavating, mining, oil field, and related machinery.....value..	55.6	59.2	55.6	63.0	57.7
Machine tools (including metal-forming machine tools) and parts, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 ⁶value..	24.7	28.9	13.1	18.2	12.9
Metalworking machines and parts, except machine tools and parts.....value..	9.8	17.5	11.4	12.5	13.2
Textile, sewing and shoe machinery.....value..	14.3	18.1	10.3	12.9	9.0
Other industrial machinery and parts.....value..	79.6	87.8	73.3	83.2	70.9

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Economic class and commodity	January 1961	December 1960	January 1960	Monthly average	
				1960	1959
Finished manufactures—Continued					
Office, accounting, and computing machines and parts.....value..	22.1	24.3	14.1	17.4	12.1
Agricultural machines, implements and parts.....value..	10.6	8.9	9.8	12.1	12.0
Tractors.....number..	6,728	6,442	5,270	5,586	5,313
.....value..	18.1	18.3	21.2	19.8	17.7
Tractor parts and accessories.....value..	10.8	12.3	11.5	12.4	11.9
Motor trucks and busses, commercial (new).....number..	9,276	18,236	12,143	16,913	13,761
.....value..	19.2	25.3	24.8	30.2	27.1
Passenger cars, nonmilitary (new).....number..	9,533	11,452	11,684	9,760	8,869
.....value..	19.6	22.8	24.5	19.6	18.6
Automobile parts for assembly and replacement.....value..	43.9	45.4	51.1	46.0	44.4
Military automobiles, trucks, busses, trailers, parts, accessories and service equipment; commercial maintenance and repair trucks (new).....value..	6.1	6.6	7.6	6.7	9.6
Aircraft, parts and accessories.....value..	79.3	89.3	68.5	110.8	64.0
Merchant ships, nonmilitary, n.e.c.....number..	4	4	7	8	1
.....value..	2.5	2.2	0.9	2.1	7.5
Railway transportation equipment.....value..	10.4	15.8	12.4	11.5	8.8
Antibiotics.....value..	6.2	5.7	5.8	6.1	5.7
Other medicinal and pharmaceutical preparations.....value..	15.7	17.2	16.2	16.8	17.9
Soap and toilet preparations.....value..	1.4	1.8	1.8	2.1	1.9
Small arms, machine guns, parts and accessories, n.e.c.....value..	1.6	2.9	2.7	2.7	2.4
Ammunition, components and parts.....value..	50.8	8.0	12.3	16.4	16.7
Special Category Type 1 ⁶value..	25.5	25.3	35.5	29.8	46.7
All other finished manufactures, exclusive of Special Category Type 1 ⁶value..	132.5	145.0	128.1	137.4	127.9

¹Includes \$107.9 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$70.4 million to Western Europe).

²Includes \$53.3 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$24.5 million to Western Europe). ³Includes \$77.7 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$25.8 million to Western Europe). ⁴Includes \$79.1 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$33.3 million to Western Europe). ⁵Includes \$102.3 million of Military Mutual Security Program shipments (\$54.9 million to Western Europe). ⁶See the January 1961 issue of Report No. Ft 410 for list of Special Category commodities. ⁷Data for periods prior to January 1961 exclude information on exports of uranium, thorium and special nuclear material (Schedule B commodity numbers 62510-62590).

⁸Includes data for Schedule B commodity numbers 30399 and 30855, converted to square yards on the basis of four square yards per pound; and Schedule B number 30610, converted to square yards on the basis of three square yards per pound.

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